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1. The Thuringian Border Police were separated from trade union affiliations on 1 August 1948, according to a policeman stationed near Sonneberg. On the same date personnel previously quartered privately were ordered into separate barracks with their own mess facilities and better than average rations.
2. The Thuringian police have been ordered to prepare an exchange of carbines for machine pistols within the next two weeks. Border posts are to be given machine guns and grenade throwers at the same time.
3. The police have been told by their superiors that they will eventually receive other tasks (not specified) in addition to routine border control. They have also been promised a sizeable salary increase in the near future.

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reported the organization of para-military police units.)

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